



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **HAYASHI**

Serial No.: 09/664,332

Group Art Unit: 1712

Filed: September 18, 2000

Examiner: Robert E. Sellers

For: **ENERGY-RAY CURING RESIN COMPOSITION**

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: January 28, 2002

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated December 28, 2001.

In the Action, election of a species is required between species 1, the photopolymerizable resins such as the 3, 4-epoxycyclohexylmethyl-3,4-epoxycyclohexanecarboxylate of claim 8; species 2, the photopolymerization initiators selected from Formulae (I) to (V) in claim 14 or 16 wherein X is identified; species 3, the curing agents such as the maleic anhydride of claim 9 or the polyethylene glycol of claim 10; species 4, the compositions with and without the curing accelerator of claim 2, wherein if its presence is elected, a particular species thereof is revealed; and species 5, the compositions employed as either a paste of claim 22, a composite molding of claim 23, an adhesive of claim 24 or a coating of claim 25.

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of species 2, for prosecution in this application.

Claims 1, 2 and 13-21 are read on the elected species.

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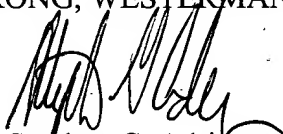
This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the Examiner will consider additional species upon allowance of a generic claim. As such, it is believed that all claims can be examined without undue burden.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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